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The reply filed on 24 August 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the added independent claims contain subject matter not supported by the original disclosure. The quantity α , newly claimed and defined as the ear separation vertical velocity divided by the linear horizontal velocity, has not been discussed in the original Specification and therefore appears to be New Matter. The value of α being greater than 3.05 is likewise not supported by the original application and is considered New Matter. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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